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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to assigning a serial number to the above-captioned application and calculating the fee, please undertake the following changes:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, change "one of claims 1 or 2" to --claim 1--.

Claim 4, lines 1 and 2, change "one of claims 1 to 3" to -- claim 1--.

Claim 5, lines 1 and 2, change "one of claims 1 to 4" to -- claim 1--.

Claim 6, lines 1 and 2, change "one of claims 1 to 5" to -- claim 1--.

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